

# ***DANUBE RIVER CRUISE***



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## Danube River Cruise, Budapest to Regensburg

Duration: 8 days

Stay: 7 nights outside cabin

Travel style: Escorted river cruise

Booking code: EDRCG8M

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# 8 Days Danube River Cruise from Budapest or Regensburg

## About the holiday

Discover the magic of Europe in this extraordinary river cruise!

River cruising offers the unique opportunity to visit Europe's historic cities and charming villages as you sail the world's most beautiful waterways. Cruise aboard a sleek, modern floating hotel, equipped with features and amenities to make your voyage comfortable and carefree.

Sail through Germany, Austria, Slovakia, Hungary & more. View the medieval architecture of Budapest and panoramic views from atop Fisherman's Bastion. Experience the young and old in the city of Bratislava. Take in the stunning palaces of Vienna and stop in Durnstein, one of the prettiest towns on the Danube, before touring the historic Benedictine Abbey in Melk. Explore 2500-year-old town of Passau or choose to join the optional tour to picturesque Salzburg. Then arrive in Regensburg, one of Germany's best-preserved medieval cities and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

## Why you'll love this trip...

It's an ideal way to explore Europe & see places that coach tours can't include.

Enjoy the comfort of the river ship facilities & a room with an ever-changing view.

Includes shore excursions, meals, drinks with dinner & expert guides.

A river cruise is great value for money with all the inclusions!

## Travel dates

2024 & 2025 - see our website for departures

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## Escorted River Cruise includes:

- 7 nights outside cabin aboard MS Monarch Queen
- River port charges of US\$190 per person
- Cruise portage
- 20 meals: 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 7 dinners
- Cruise director & activities host throughout cruise
- Services of local guides in all major cities
- Shore excursions per itinerary
- Entrance fees per itinerary
- Comfortable wireless earphones for enhanced touring during excursions

## Package excludes:

International flights - please request airfare quotes for latest travel deals

Airport & cruise port transfers - arrival transfer can be pre-purchased on request

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Optional tours & activities

Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry etc.

Gratuities for tour manager, guides & drivers

Travel insurance is essential

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

***Subject to confirmation by river cruise company & local operators.***

***Cancellation fees & booking conditions apply.***

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## Experiences on tour & special features:

- See magnificent panoramic views of Budapest from atop Fisherman's Bastion
- Explore the cobblestone lanes of the historic town centre in Bratislava
- Enjoy a city tour of Vienna and view Hofburg Palace, Vienna Opera House and St. Stephen's Cathedral
- Stop in Durnstein, one of the prettiest towns on the Danube
- Tour the historic Benedictine Melk Abbey, one of the finest examples of Baroque architecture

## River cruise features & amenities:

- Welcome dinner and farewell dinner
- Wine and beer with dinners
- Locally inspired recipes
- Early riser breakfast in addition to buffet breakfast
- Complimentary basic Wi-Fi access in public areas
- Self-serve coffee and tea station
- Lounge serving premium spirits
- Fitness centre
- Non-smoking ship interior
- Shore excursions conducted exclusively in English by licensed guides

## Itinerary:

### **DAY 1, Friday - Cruise Embarkation in Budapest**

Arrive in Budapest, Hungary and make your own way to the port. Embarkation will begin at 2 PM. After arrival formalities, time to relax on board. Tonight, meet your Cruise Director and enjoy a gala welcome dinner as it sets the mood for your delightful river cruise

**Overnight:** River Cruise

**Meals:** Dinner

### **DAY 2, Saturday - Budapest City Tour**

Your morning tour begins on the Pest side of the city; view the Parliament, City Park and Heroes Square. Admire the Buda side with beautiful views of the Royal Palace, Matthias Church and the graceful medieval architecture. Explore the city's wonderful shops and cafes this afternoon on your own before you set sail for Bratislava

**Overnight:** River Cruise

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **DAY 3, Sunday - Bratislava City Tour**

This morning, enjoy the tranquil scenery as you sail along the scenic Danube. In the late afternoon, arrive in Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, a mix of modern and Baroque architecture.

This capital city is among the youngest in Europe, yet retains a rich history dating back more than 2000 years. Walk along the cobblestone lanes of the historic town centre; view St. Martin's Cathedral, coronation site of the kings of Hungary, the 13th century Old Town Hall and the Franciscan church. Time to explore this colourful city on your own before returning to the ship for dinner. This evening, the ship will set sail for Vienna

**Overnight:** River Cruise

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### **DAY 4, Monday - Vienna City Tour**

Your morning tour of romantic Vienna introduces you to this Imperial city with its legendary opulence and elegance. Drive along the famed Ringstrasse, Vienna's main boulevard lined with magnificent Baroque palaces, parks and monuments. View the lavish Hofburg Palace, and the impressive Vienna Opera House. Continue to majestic St. Stephen's Cathedral and the Parliament building. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure, or, join the *optional* tour to the magnificent Schonbrunn Palace, once summer residence of the Habsburgs. Visit the gorgeous Baroque apartments and stroll through the world-famous manicured gardens. Tonight, perhaps take the opportunity to attend an evening of Viennese culture in the "City of Music" at an *optional* concert performance of the classical masterpieces of Mozart and Strauss

**Optional:** Schonbrunn Palace Tour (PM)

**Optional:** Classical Viennese Concert (PM)

**Overnight:** River Cruise

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### **DAY 5, Tuesday - Melk Abbey**

This morning, arrive in the village of Durnstein, one of the prettiest towns on the Danube. Free time to stroll this quintessential village in the heart of the Wachau wine district. Walk along medieval cobblestone streets revealing 16th-century town houses and wine taverns. Continue cruising late this morning and relax on board as the boat cruises through the scenic Wachau Valley, with lovely storybook views of vineyards, castles, hilltop ruins and monasteries. Later, disembark in Melk for a guided tour of the historic Benedictine Abbey, considered one of the finest examples of Baroque architecture in Europe. View the Abbot's chambers, the Kaiser's walk, and the lavish library. The ship will set sail as you dine on board this evening

**Overnight:** River Cruise

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

#### **DAY 6, Wednesday - Full Day in Passau**

Today presents a wonderful opportunity to join the *optional* full day tour to beautiful Salzburg, the birthplace of Mozart and setting for the Sound of Music. The walking tour will include some of Salzburg's most historic sites including the Mirabell Palace, the Abbey, Salzburg Cathedral, and St. Peter's Cemetery.

After lunch at a local restaurant, there will be time to discover Salzburg on your own before returning to the ship. If you choose to remain on board, the day is free to explore the 2500-year-old Passau. Well known for its pastel patrician houses, cafes, cobblestone lanes and riverfront promenade, Passau is a town with a mix of Roman, Italian Baroque and Gothic architecture. In the early evening, all passengers will re-join the ship and set sail for Regensburg

**Optional:** Full Day Tour of Salzburg

**Overnight:** River Cruise

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **DAY 7, Thursday - Regensburg City Tour**

Arrive in Regensburg this morning, one of Germany's best-preserved medieval cities designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The guided walking tour highlights the city's stunning architecture as you view the Old Town Hall, the Dom St. Peter, and the Porta Praetoria, gateway to an ancient Roman fort. Marvel at beautiful churches and one of the oldest stone bridges crossing the Danube. Return to the ship, or spend the afternoon at leisure discovering the delights of Regensburg on your own. The ship will remain docked in port this evening as you enjoy your final night on board

**Overnight:** River Cruise

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

### **DAY 8, Friday - Depart Germany**

This morning disembarkation will end at 9:30am. If you have a departure flight from Munich Airport, please make your own way to the airport. The Munich airport is approximately an hour and a half drive from the port.

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Please note: The day by day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, river levels, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.**

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- The day the optionals operate varies by the day of the week



### **Schonbrunn Palace Tour**

Enjoy an afternoon guided tour of the magnificent Schonbrunn Palace, once the summer residence of the Habsburg emperors. Visit the gorgeous apartments and stroll through the world-famous manicured and aromatic gardens.

Approximate tour duration is 3 hours.

### **Classical Viennese Concert**

Experience a delightful evening of Viennese culture in the "City of Music." Attend a concert featuring the classical masterpieces of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart and Johann Strauss, two of Vienna's most famous citizens. The musicians will bring to life the passionate strains of Mozart, a child prodigy who blossomed into one of history's greatest composers and Strauss, the Waltz King, who composed the Blue Danube, the world's most famous waltz. The chamber orchestra is accompanied by a professional dance performance, recalling the golden age of the 19th-century Viennese ballrooms.

Approximate tour duration is 2.5 hours.

### **Tour of Salzburg**

Enjoy a full-day excursion to beautiful Salzburg, birthplace of Mozart and inspiration for the Sound of Music. The walking tour will include some of Salzburg's most historic sites including Mirabell Gardens and a stop outside the house where Mozart lived. Lunch is included at a local restaurant, and then there will be time to explore the streets of Salzburg on your own before returning to the boat.

Approximate tour duration is 9 hours.

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